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1. MISOFF INFORMED WYNDHAM (AUSTRALIA) WE HAD NO CURRENT PLANS TO MAKE DEMARCHE IN SRI LANKA AND THAT WE WOULD BE WILLING ATTEND MEETING OF TREATY PARTIES SHOULD ONE BE CONVENED.

2. IN SEPARATE CONVERSATION BATTISCOMBE (UKUN) INFORMED MISOFF THAT HE HAD BEEN INSTRUCTED KEEP US INFORMED OF WHAT THEY DOING WITH REGARD TO POSSIBLE RAISING OF ANTARTIC QUESTIONS IN UNGA BY SRI LANKA.

3. HE SAID THEY HAD CONTACTED SRI LANKA PERM REP AMERASINGHE, WHO SAID HE AWARE OF CONSIDERATION BEING GIVEN BY GOSL TO MATTER AND WAS CONFIDENT MATTER COULD BE HANDLED IN SUCH A WAY AS TO AVOID ANY INTERFERENCE WITH LOS. BRITS DID NOT EXPRESSLY REQUEST AMERASINGHE TO DROP MATTER BUT SOUGHT HIS ASSURANCES THEY WOULD BE INFORMED BEFORE SRI LANKA DECIDED TO TAKE ANY
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4. HMG HAS ALSO ASKED THEIR HIGH COMMISSIONER IN COLOMBA TO MAKE INQUIRIES.

5. BATTISCOMBE SAID ARGENTINA IS PRESSING TO HAVE TREATY PARTIES MEET WITH A VIEW TO COMING UP WITH A UNIFIED DEMARCHE TO SRI LANKA NOT TO RAISE THE ITEM IN THE GA. ACCORDING BATTISCOMBE, HMG FEARS THIS WOULD ONLY CONFIRM SRI LANKA VIEW THAT TREATY PARTIES ARE TRYING TO KEEP ALL THE GOODIES FOR THEMSELVES AND WOULD THUS BE COUNTERPRODUCTIVE.
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